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The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. KRISHNAN NAYAR:—"That is, if a person is arrested for debt and if he is found to be very poor, the court is given discretion to release him."

### Criminal Justice

*Nomination of Mr. V. S. Padmanabha Mudaliyar as Public Prosecutor.*

\* 1034 Q.—Mr. T. ADINARAYANA CHETTIYAR: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased—

(i) to lay on the table the letter of the District Magistrate of North Arcot regarding the appointment of Public Prosecutor for the district from the 11th September 1929; and

(ii) to state whether it is a fact that the present nominee of Government, Mr. V. S. Padmanabha Mudaliyar, is not getting a taxable income and yet was recommended by the District Magistrate?

A.—(i) No.

(ii) The Government have no information as to the first part of the question. Mr. V. S. Padmanabha Mudaliyar was recommended for the post by the District Magistrate.

### Forests

*Expenditure on panchayat forests in Bellary district.*

\* 1035 Q.—Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state the amount of revenue that the Government were deriving, the expenditure they were incurring and the net profit, if any, they were having from the panchayat forests in the Bellary district before they were handed over to panchayat management?

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A.—Average annual revenue	45,169
Average annual expenditure (including an estimated proportion of the pay of range and district forest establishment)	34,342
Net revenue	10,827

*Transfer of Bandri and Somalapur reserves to panchayats.*

\* 1036 Q.—Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) the total extent in acres of the Bandri and the Somalapur reserves and their extensions respectively in Kudligi taluk, Bellary district;

(b) the villages within three miles from the said reserves;

(c) the extent of unreserved land available for the grazing of cattle in each of the above villages; and

(d) whether there have been complaints to the Government or the district authorities that there is dearth of grazing land for cattle in the villages of Bandri, Nidugurthi, Kodihalli, Gollarahalli, Ankanimanahalli, Somalapur; and, if so, whether portions of Bandri and Somalapur reserves will be demarcated and handed over for panchayat management?